

METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR DIVIDING A WEB  
OF WRAPPING MATERIAL

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1 A continuous web of cigarette paper or other wrap-  
2 ping material, particularly for smokers' products, is split  
3 by a pair of rotary knives into two strips which are fed  
4 to discrete strip processing units, such as wrapping units  
5 for rod-like tobacco fillers. If the width of the web  
6 and/or of one strip or both strips departs from a predeter-  
7 mined width, the web is shifted sideways and/or at least  
8 one of the strips is moved relative to the other strip to  
9 at least partially compensate for departures of monitored  
10 width from the predetermined width. This can be  
11 accomplished by changing the orientation of a a frame for  
12 rollers which flank the web and/or by changing the level  
13 or levels of one or more rolls which advance the web by  
14 way of the strips.